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DOT&PF cautions Anchorage area afternoon commuters

(**JUNEAU**, **Alaska**) – The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is cautioning Anchorage's afternoon commuters of deteriorating road conditions being caused by current weather conditions.

High winds, warm temperatures and rain are creating standing water on many roads. Some areas may also have patchy ice.

"We're asking drivers to use extreme caution this afternoon and evening while traveling on state routes in the Anchorage vicinity," said Jack Fullerton, DOT&PF Central Region Chief of Maintenance and Operations.

Conditions are expected to be hazardous. DOT&PF is also advising travelers to use the 511system, a service to help travelers access continually updated travel information. The system allows travelers to dial 511 on their telephones to learn about road conditions, closures, accidents and more. The 511 system is also online at the DOT&PF website located at http://511.alaska.gov/.

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